

Communicable Disease Program

PROGRAM REVIEW RESULTS

A separate overall system programs report was developed with the aggregate results for each of the seven of nine programs reviewed at the local level. Two of the programs (Immunizations and Wastewater Management) had less than five programs reviewed and the number is too small to aggregate results. Please go to www.tba.htm for the specific program reports. Highlights of the findings for Communicable Disease Program (CD), which had ten or more LHJ programs reviewed, are described below.

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All the measures applicable to communicable disease activities were evaluated at all 34 LHJs and for the DOH CD/Epi program. This gives us results for the performance of communicable disease across the entire state. The results showed:

- Aggregate percent demonstrated from both LHJs and DOH is 63.9%.
- The DOH CD/Epi Program demonstrated performance in 25 out of the 34 applicable measures. For the measures where DOH was able to demonstrate performance but the performance in the LHJs is not as high, there is an opportunity for collaboration for improvement.
- High performance (60% to 100% of programs able to demonstrate performance) was demonstrated by both local and DOH programs in nine measures:
 - Measures **2.8**, **2.9** and **2.10** related to information being made available to the public about activities, educational offerings and laws and regulations in various languages for diverse populations
 - Measures **4.4**, **4.5** and **4.6** related to having protocols for receiving and managing information on notifiable conditions, protocols for managing specific conditions and for implementation of a tracking system for notifiable conditions. These measures reflect the statistically significant improvement created through the implementation of the PHIMS database in all LHJs and the distribution of standardized condition protocols to LHJs by the DOH program
 - Measure **6.4** regarding the range of methods used to implement population based prevention and health education
 - Measure **8.3** regarding the use of additional information sources to improve services
 - Measure **10.4** that evaluated the extent of staff training
- Low performance (fewer than 60% of programs able to demonstrate performance) was demonstrated by both local and DOH programs in three measures:
 - Measure **4.1** with partially demonstrated performance by DOH and demonstrated by only 48% of local CD programs relates to health providers and labs, including new licensees, being provided with information on notifiable conditions (NC). Most of the LHJs have some activities for providing providers with the NC information, but many do not have processes to identify the new licensees in their communities.
 - Measure **8.2** regarding the tracking, analysis and use of performance measures for CD activities.
 - Measure **8.7L** and **8.9S** regarding the internal audit of CD investigations for timeliness and compliance with protocols.

Communicable Disease Program Overall LHJ and DOH Program Performance on Individual Measures

■ Demonstrated
 ■ Partially Demonstrated
 ■ Not Demonstrated

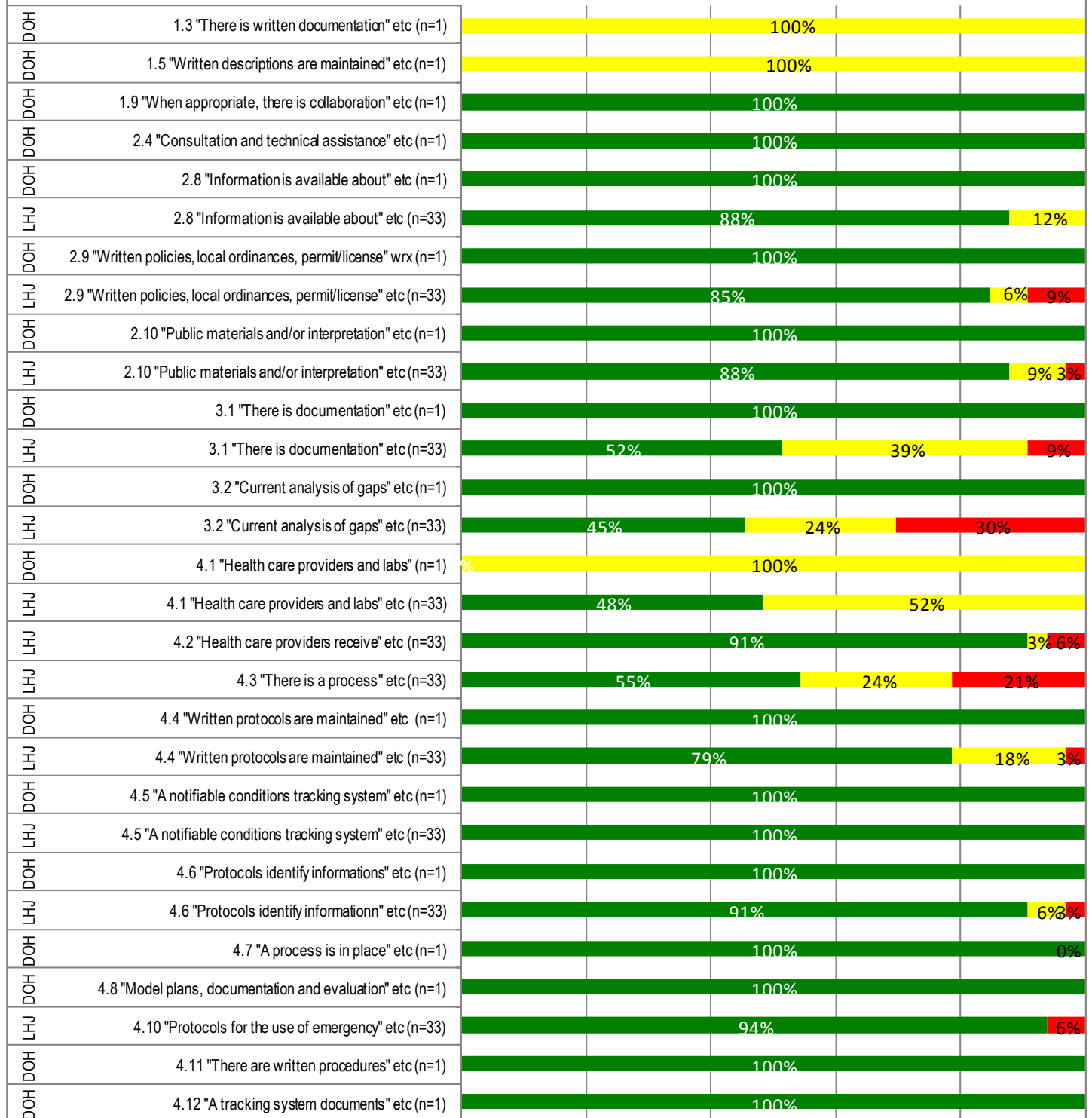


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